



State of Tennessee

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 167

By Representative Harrison

and

Senator Faulk

A RESOLUTION to recognize Gary Wayne Hicks on the occasion of his Retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years of industry; and

WHEREAS, Gary Wayne Hicks is one such estimable person who has served with acumen and alacrity for forty years with Baldor Electric Company and will be taking a much deserved retirement on March 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the son of Gayle Kyle and Dorothy Ann Hicks, Gary Hicks was born on September 25, 1948, in Hawkins County, Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hicks attended Clouds Creek Community School, Lakeview School, and Rogersville High School, earning his diploma in 1966; and

WHEREAS, following the patriotic tradition for which the Volunteer State is renowned, Gary Hicks enlisted in the United States Army in 1968 and served with courage and an unflinching sense of duty until 1970. Mr. Hicks remains committed to his band of brothers to this day, serving as an active member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5266; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hicks began his exemplary tenure with Baldor Electric Company (formerly Dodge Reliance) in 1971, first rendering sterling service as a Machinist; and

WHEREAS, his tireless efforts did not go unnoticed, and Gary Hicks was soon promoted to Tool Crib Attendant and then Purchasing Agent, in which positions he earned the respect of his peers and superiors alike due to the exemplary quality of his work; and

WHEREAS, a man of faith, Mr. Hicks is a devout member of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, where he has served his Lord for many years; and

WHEREAS, his many accomplishments aside, Gary Hicks is most grateful for the love and support he shares with his beloved wife, Susan Hughes Hicks. He is the proud father and father-in-law of Nicole and Scottie Risner; Becky Forgety; and Gary, Jr., and Laura Hicks; and the doting grandfather of Tanner, Christin, Brady, Kaitlin, and Caroline; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hicks is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people whom life has treated unkindly, and he epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant, and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, throughout his commendable tenure, Gary Hicks has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of his colleagues and community alike, and he should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we recognize Gary Wayne Hicks for his forty years of honorable and astute service with Baldor Electric Company and extend to him our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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ADOPTED: MARCH 28, 2011



BETH HARWELL, SPEAKER
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



RON RAMSEY
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 31st day of March 2011


BILL HASLAM, GOVERNOR